Town Planning Schemes-
Leaving on open belt around burial and cremation grounds.

Government of Maharashtra
UrbanDevelopment Department.
Circular No. TPS. 3682/UD-7,
Mantralaya, Bombay 400 032. Dated 24th January 1983.

READ :-
i) Government Circulars, Urban Development and Public Health Department No.TPS 3663/R, dated the 9th September 1963 and 21st February 1964;
ii) Government Circular, Urban Development and Public Health Department No. TPS 3679/2352/UD-7, dated the 15th July 1980.

CIRCULAR

Under the Government Circulars cited above, instructions for leaving a clear belt of 100 feet (30.5 m.) all around burial and cremetion grounds from the residential houses have been issued. A point has now been raised as to whether non-residential users such as commercial, services industries, etc. could be allowed withing the belt of 100 ft. (30.5 m.) from the burial/cremation ground, Government is pleased to clarify that no development whatsoever should be permitted in the said prescribed open belt of 100 ft. (30.5 m.) from the burial/cremation ground.

Government has reviewed the instructions in the Government Circular No. TPS 3679/ 2352/UD-7, dated 15th July, 1980, reproduced above, and considers that it is not necessary to retain the provision of not allowing any development whatsoever in an open clear belt of 100 feet (30.5 meter) from burial or cremation grounds, whether in the residential zones or non-residential zones, such as commercial, industrial zones, etc.

2. In modification of the instructions contained in the said Circular, it is hereby clarified that whereover possible, an 100 feet wide open belt should be kept within the lands for a burial or cremation grounds, with tree plantation along the boundaries within such grounds. If this is not possible, a six feet high compound wall should be prescribed on the boundaries between such burial/cremation grounds and other surrounding lands, and rows of trees plandted along the periphery/within the burial/cremation grounds.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

Sd/
(A. K. Delvi)
Assistant Secretary to
Government.